



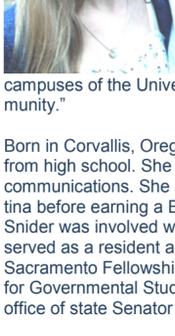
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Hanna Snider is UCCS' new Program and Outreach Coordinator

Hanna Snider, a 2010 graduate of UC Berkeley, is UC Center's new Program and Outreach Coordinator. Selected from a pool of more than 150 applicants, Snider joins the UC Center team on August 22.



Snider fills a new position created to help campus coordinators expand the number of UCCS applicants throughout the system. In addition, she will help foster collaborative relationships between UC campus researchers and the Capitol's policymaking community — one of the Center's key public-service commitments.

"We are delighted that Hanna will be joining us at UC Center," said UCCS Director Robert Huckfeldt. "Her efforts will dramatically increase our ability to communicate with all the campuses of the University of California, as well as with the Sacramento policy community."

Born in Corvallis, Oregon, Snider eventually moved to Benicia, where she graduated from high school. She first attended UCLA, where she majored in education and communications. She spent a year abroad, studying international relations in Argentina before earning a BA in Political Science from UC Berkeley. While at Berkeley, Snider was involved with International House where she coordinated events and served as a resident advisor. She also was student director for the Cal-in-Sacramento Fellowship Program, offered through the Matsui Center at the Institute for Governmental Studies. As a participant in that program, she interned with the office of state Senator Loni Hancock (D-Berkeley).

Prior to joining UCCS, she served as a legislative assistant for Democratic Assemblyman Michael Allen of Santa Rosa.

Snider did not immediately go to work for the Legislature following her graduation from Berkeley. For six months, she traveled and worked in southern Asia, including volunteer stints with Mother Teresa Hospital in Calcutta, India, and Rising Lotus Orphanage in Kathmandu, Nepal. A travel enthusiast, Snider also saw Russia aboard the Trans-Siberian Railroad, as well as explored parts of the Middle East.

Now, she is will embark on a career with UC Center.

"I'm looking forward to helping UCCS grow to its full potential," Snider said. "I'm also looking forward to helping students get the most out of their internship experiences. College internships were instrumental in my decision to work in a public-policy related field, and I want other students to have the same opportunity."

The UCCS Team

Kerry Ott: UC San Diego

Editor's note: UC Center depends on the hard work of dedicated representatives on each UC campus, as well as a cadre of administrative staff from various departments at UC Davis. The Center could not function without their support. Each month, "Center of the Capital" will introduce a member of the UCCS team.

Kerry Shannon Ott is ideally suited to keeping up with energetic and ambitious undergraduates at her home campus — UC San Diego. After all, in her spare time, Ott participates in triathlons.



A native of York, Pennsylvania, Ott originally moved to California "on a whim" in 2002, intending to stay only two years. She had recently earned an Economics degree from Denison University in Granville, Ohio, and wanted to explore a part of the country that was more exotic than her native Midwest.

But Ott fell in love with San Diego; who wouldn't after enduring a lifetime of Midwest winters? By 2008, her two-year "whim" had expanded to six years and culminated in a Masters degree in Counseling from the University of San Diego, where she specialized in career counseling. She began her career at crosstown UC San Diego that same year and now provides internship counseling to students with majors within the Social Sciences Division, as well as coordinates internships for the Public Service minor. That makes her a perfect fit as UCSD program coordinator for UC Center.

Ott's career has not always been in higher education. Prior to working for UCSD, she gained experience in high-tech start-ups, business services and event planning.

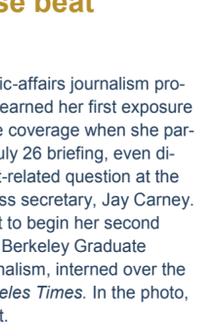
But her passion is working with students, helping them develop as young professionals and watching as they grow both professionally and personally during their internships.

Tidbits

UCCS students interviewed for NPR's "State of the Re:Union" program

Three UCCS summer interns recently were interviewed by the radio program "State of the Re:Union," which airs nationally on 215 National Public Radio affiliates, including KQED in San Francisco. The program, first broadcast in 2009, explores how individual towns and cities create a sense of community, cope with challenging circumstances, and develop "vital cultural narratives that give an area its uniqueness."

UCCS scholars participated in a segment devoted to Sacramento that currently is in development and scheduled to air later this year. Center Associate Director A.G. Block also was interviewed. Students were selected because they hold internships with the Legislature — a major focus of the segment. Block lent his historical perspective, given his quarter-century as a Sacramento journalist. The interviews were conducted by producer Laura Starecheski.



Students who participated were Catherine Wahlgren (UC Santa Cruz), Callin Curry (UC Santa Cruz) and Josh Hoover (UCLA).

You can learn more about the program [here](#).

UCCS student named Capps Center intern at UC Santa Barbara

Fatima Segura, a Sociology and Spanish major from UC Santa Barbara, has been named a Walter H. Capps Center intern for fall 2011. Capps interns are selected based on academic credentials, career interests and compatibility with the Capps' mission to foster dialogue on critical public issues. The internships, which bring a financial stipend, are open to students participating at UCCS and at the UC Washington Center. Segura, a senior from Watsonville, is interning this summer in Sacramento with School Innovations & Advocacy. Funding for the internships comes from an endowment established by Sarah Miller McCune.



Alum on the White House beat

Christine Mai-Duc, a 2007 participant in the Center's public-affairs journalism program, recently earned her first exposure to White House coverage when she participated in a July 26 briefing, even directing a deficit-related question at the president's press secretary, Jay Carney. Mai-Duc, about to begin her second year at the UC Berkeley Graduate School of Journalism, interned over the summer with the Washington, DC, bureau of the *Los Angeles Times*. In the photo, Mai-Duc can be seen in the third row, second from the left.



Register for public seminars online

Those interested in attending public seminars at UC Center may now register for events on line at <http://luccs.ucdavis.edu/events>. Online registration will be available seven days prior to each seminar. August events are listed in the calendar below.



APPLY FOR WINTER 2012

WINTER 2012
Program Dates: January 6—March 24
FINAL APPLICATION DEADLINE: DECEMBER 9

For more information contact Associate Director A.G. Block [here](#).

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